

CONSERVATION ADVISORY BOARD
Town of Marilla

Date: December 9, 2003

Members Present: Victor Ball
Tom Wantuck
Ralph Burch, Jr.
Diane Fronczek

Members Absent: Leonard Janiga
Mary Beth Wolf
James Heinrich

Guests: Amy Holt from the WNYLC

Town Board: Fred Specht
Earl Gingerich, Jr.

Vic Ball, Chairman, opened our meeting at 7:50 p.m. with a pledge to the flag. Ralph Burch, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Tom Wantuck, to accept the November minutes as written. All in favor – 4 ayes.

Old Business:

Vic Ball reported on the Scout project. It has been accepted by James Heinrich, and turned in to be approved by the local Boy Scout Council, where it will be finalized in detail before being submitted to the Boy Scout Council headquarters for final acceptance and be put into action.

The CAB will again try to hold a conference of Conservation Boards from local towns for the February, 2004, meeting. The towns to be invited will be Alden, Clarence, Orchard Park, Wales, Elma and Newstead. They will be contacted the respective board members who initially invited them. The members who will contact these boards are asked to call them **this month** and report in January with results of their efforts.

Vic Ball was able to obtain a copy of the Planning Board minutes for the month of October by copying the minutes posted on the bulletin board in the Town Hall. **The Board again requests the Planning Board to begin supplying the monthly minutes to us via our mailbox in the Town Clerk's Office.**

New Business

Our guest speaker, **Amy Holt, from the WNYLC**, spoke about the PACE program process by outline. She presented the board with copies of the outline which included Easement Stewardship Funding, Easement Monitoring, Landowner Contact,

Enforcement of Easements, as well as contingency plans/back ups. Vic Ball made a suggestion to Amy Holt that a time line was needed to give the CAB a basis from which we could determine just what the status of the current grant is; if we are behind in the process and why.

Amy Holt talked about the importance of baseline documentation per property acquired for PACE. By yearly monitoring, the WNYLC is able to keep ahead of any infringement done to properties in the program. She also suggested that we release a flyer to town residents keeping them informed about current PACE activities. The board was in agreement.

Vic Ball invited Amy Holt to return when we have all members present and to attend the February meeting with other CAB groups.

Ralph Burch, Jr. made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tom Wantuck. All in favor – 4 ayes. We were adjourned at 9:10 p.m. The next meeting will be January 6, 2004 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Fronczek, Recording Secretary